

HAWAIIAN GAZETTE.

J. MOTT SMITH,
Director of the Government Press.
HONOLULU:
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 1899.
BY AUTHORITY.



Notice is hereby given, that at their meeting of April 10th, 1899, the Board of Health passed a resolution, suspending, from this date, rule 1st, of the Quarantine Regulations and Rules adopted by them at their meeting of January 25th, 1899.

By order of the Board of Health.
EM. FENNER,
Honolulu, April 14, 1899. Secretary.

Notice is hereby given, that in accordance with section 5d of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of deadly poisons," approved the 22d day of June, A. D. 1898, the following emblematic devices are approved by the Minister of the Interior:



and all persons are desired to take due notice thereof.

F. W. HUTCHINGS,
Minister of the Interior.
Honolulu, April 14, 1899.

The following is the Law referred to in the above notice:

Sec. 1. No person shall sell or deliver any deadly poison, except for scientific, medicinal or mechanical purposes, nor to any person not known to the vendor to be careful and well disposed; provided, that sales may be made to a person not known to the vendor, if some responsible person known to the vendor will certify, in writing, that person desiring to purchase may safely be entrusted with the same; but in all cases the vendor shall require the purchaser to disclose the intended use of such poison.

Sec. 2. Every person who shall sell or deliver any deadly poison, shall keep a book in which shall be recorded the name and quantity of the poison sold or delivered, the person to whom it was sold or delivered, and whether such person was known to the vendor, and if not, the name of the responsible person upon whose recommendation the same was sold, and the certificate of such person shall be preserved. The said book of records shall at all times be open to the inspection of the Minister of the Interior or his agent.

Sec. 3. The label, placard, or other package in which any deadly poison shall be sold or delivered, shall bear a label containing the word "Poison," in large letters, both in the English and Hawaiian languages, together with some emblematic device, to be approved by the Minister of the Interior, which shall indicate the dangerous character of the article.

Sec. 4. Every licensed Physician, Druggist, or Apothecary, who shall compound, sell, or deliver any prescription containing any poisonous drug, or substance deleterious to human life, to be used as medicine, shall enter upon his books said prescription, written out in full, with the date thereof, and that to the name of the patient, and that to the name of the Physician who prescribed the same, and the person to whom the same was delivered; and no such prescription shall be compounded, sold, or delivered, unless the name of the person compounding, selling, or delivering the same, or the name of the Physician prescribing the same, be appended to the prescription in full, and every such prescription shall be preserved and subject at all times to the inspection of the Minister of the Interior or his agent.

Sec. 5. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall forfeit a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars for each offense.

What must be thought of a Ministry that does what differs in no respect from directly giving the lie to the man now acting as the Pastor of the Fort Street Church, and that to the acceptance of the members of that Society? As the editor of an independent Hawaiian paper he has given place and sanction in his columns to communications signed "Vaccinator." The contents of these communications are mostly of a nature to excite the passions of the community, and are treated in the same way, and even the published notice of the Board of Education in this week's reference to receiving scholars to schools without certificate, broadly hints in unmistakable language the same thing.

Let this be read aloud, and it will be found to be a most beautiful example of Rabot.

It is amusing to some, and interesting to all, to observe what things are charged to the Ministry. Any one would think to hear the whine, which is set up twice per week, that the Ministry are all-powerful. They (the whiners) propose to hold the Government "strictly responsible," for laws passed by the Legislature, many years before any one, connected with the present administration, had any part in the government of the country, and continued on the statute book by successive Legislatures, from a conviction of their public utility. If a man takes a fever at Waiolu, the Ministry are responsible. If another commits suicide on the other side of the town, the Ministry are responsible. If some men get into an excitement on Hawaii, and one is killed, the Ministry must be held responsible before the people. This reminds one of an incident at Salt Lake City, where there was a crowd gathered, a short time since, when suddenly some one drew a pistol, fired at, and killed another, then springing out of the crowd eluded the pursuit which was immediately started for him, whereupon a wag cried out, "Charge it to Brigham, charge it to Brigham." The idea was that "Brigham" was to be held strictly responsible for every thing which might occur in that community, except benefits—and they were to be held as having occurred not through him, but in spite of him,—in spite of the hundred and one obstacles thrown in the way of their prosperity. So likewise, if a judge, on due examination, and after taking testimony, as by statute provided, concludes to discharge a man, who had previously been committed to the asylum for the insane, the Ministry is responsible for it,—particularly if the man, subsequently, further develops symptoms of insanity, and dies,—it follows from it. So likewise, if the Governor of Oahu causes some guns to be fired, on the night of the 24th of December, though no Crown Minister may have known his intention, or had any authority in the matter, other than advice, and all were safely and snugly in bed,—the REVEREND gentleman, who is the subject of the extract at the head of this article,—Editor of an independent Hawaiian paper,—Pastor of the Fort Street Church,—expresses himself in this manner: "A PRIEST RIDDEN Ministry make grand fun of Christianity." See *Kuhoaka*, Jan. 23d. What priest ridden, or any of them, the REVEREND Editor, "the Pastor of the Fort Street Church," does not inform us, but from the extract from his paper, it may be inferred that he is not the man. But if we say that this priestly conductor of the priestly influence, who makes this priestly fling, at what he wishes to make people believe is the influence of other priests, knew at the time that the article was published, that no priest has any more individual influence over the Ministry, either individually or collectively, than he has himself, and it must be confessed that is marvelously small, it is sacrilege even to intimate that the statements, insinuations and deductions, sanctioned in the columns of an "Independent Hawaiian paper," are devoid of truth and common sense, and why? Because the editor thereof is "acting Pastor of the Fort Street Church,"—and acts, too, "to the acceptance of the members of that society." This is "priest ridden" run mad.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. Editor:—There is not the slightest doubt but that, should a sufficient subsidy be offered, the North Pacific Steamship Company—and many other responsible parties—would engage to put on a suitable steamer to run between the islands, and to make trips, which for speed, promptness and length, would satisfy any one. The only question which is to be, what may be considered a sufficient subsidy? According to some showing, a proper subsidy would be about \$40,000 per year. I come to this conclusion from the statement that the *Kilauea* has cost, to run her, \$25,000 per year more than she has earned; and it being reasonable to suppose that she has been economically run, and has earned as much as a steamer, running on the same route, can be expected to earn, for some time to come; it will be necessary for the Government to guarantee not only a sufficient subsidy to make up the deficit, but also to guarantee enough in addition to make "the thing" pay a dividend on capital invested. Fifteen thousand dollars would not be too great a margin to provide for, when you consider that the enterprise is to be made a paying one from the beginning. Therefore I say, at least \$40,000 a year ought to be at once guaranteed to the North Pacific Steamship Company, as an inducement for them to engage in the inter-island trade. It would probably be necessary for the Government to permit the above Company to enter into the coasting trade, having their vessels under the American flag; because it might possibly occur, that the Company would at some time desire to withdraw a vessel from the trade, when, if she had been placed under the Hawaiian flag, she could not again enter the American coasting trade, or even again become an American vessel. This, however, should not be any obstacle in the way of consummating the desired arrangement. In fact, I am sorry to have taken up your space by mentioning it at all. There is a certain class of men, whom I cannot characterize as anything but old fogies, who are so weak headed and weak kneed, as to apprehend that it would not be well for us to become complicated with a powerful corporation, particularly when such corporation is a foreign one. They talk about corporations having no souls, and about their being unscrupulous and grasping, and extremely dangerous when they get the upper hand. Although expressing the utmost confidence in the high honor and integrity of every manager of all the steamboat corporations now in existence, they insist that there are men in the world who are unscrupulous, and these men may become directors of this steamship company, and they might be induced, for gain, to use the power and influence of the powerful corporation in question, to our detriment. In fact, these old fogies insist: "that of all things for Hawaii, our internal commerce ought to be kept to the Hawaiians." They insist that it is not wise to be carried away by the high sounding prospectus of any foreign, good, monopoly. These old fogies say—"Let them send their steamers all over the Pacific; let them call here, and we will treat them well; we will give them every privilege that we can without compromising ourselves; we will give them a 'consideration' of value; in fact, we will make it to their advantage to call here on their way to and from different parts of the Ocean; but really, they must excuse us from becoming too closely allied to them. We, the people, want steam communication between the islands. We must have steam communication, and we are willing to pay for it. Let us pay ourselves." These old fogies think that it would not cost as \$40,000 nor \$25,000, nor half that, even, a year to run a steamer, and they

hold various other opinions on this subject, which are quite as ridiculous as the above.

Now don't let us mind these old fogies, who would have us draw ourselves into our shells as if our snails would; but let us close with this foreign company, and have proper vessels put on, at once. By doing so, we shall get rid of that old crab of a nuisance, the *Kilauea*, and break up any little "ring" connected with her. We shall then, also, have an Inter-island Steam Navigation Company, which a corrupt (or any other) Government (in this country) can't control, and that's what is wanted by

Yours truly, STEAM.

Mr. Editor:—I beg to apologize to the editor and proprietor of the very "Independent Press," for stating in my letter to you of the 7th inst., that that paper was issued on the 21st and 28th of February, 1899. It was an accident, I really did not intend to "misrepresent" that "party" to that extent. Everybody recognizes the greatness of the error, in stating that that paper was published on the 21st and 28th of February, when in point of fact, it was the 21st and 28th of January. Permit me to express the hope that my apology will be accepted.

I shall not, for reasons which I shall state hereafter, ask your friend to reciprocate in apologies, for certain misrepresentations on his part. I will not ask him to acknowledge that it is his "own," nor your correspondent, who garbles his various and sapient vapors on the "Labor Question." I shall attempt to prove that it is the Editor himself, who in his squirming, has garbled his own editorials. Besides the "misrepresentation" in regard to the issue of his paper in February, 1899, the "Thunderer" accuses your correspondent of "garbling" his article on labor, published in the *Advertiser* of the 25th of February, 1899, of which he says, in commenting upon the extract made by me, to prove that he was at one time in favor of the Government taking charge of the introduction of laborers:

"This extract made by the above writer, without any reference to the fact that the laborer from which it was taken was written in favor of the superiority of European immigrants, in which we used the following language:

"It has been the fashion to assume as a fact, that labor here, are the property of the Government, and that the Government is the owner of the labor in tropical climates. The Indies are cited as proof, and the conclusion drawn that the laborer should not be free to move, but that he should not stop to refuse here what we deem an absurd fallacy, especially when applied to this Kingdom, but rather express the opinion that the laborer should be free to move, and that the Government should not be burdened with the cost of the staples grown would not be higher than they now are, while superior quality would probably be obtained as an increase in value of the product. The effect, too, of the example of intelligent European laborers on the aborigines, would be of incalculable benefit to the latter, stimulating them to industry and thrift."

"Can there be a more palpable and malicious misrepresentation of facts than that attempted by this unprincipled and dishonest apologist? We approved of this original law for the Government to procure laborers, but we accompanied our endorsement with arguments in favor of the superiority of white labor from Europe, maintaining that whatever efforts were made should include the obtaining of the latter, for which ample authority had been given in the law. We said that in view, we closed the article with the following language, a portion of which the *Gazette* suppresses for its own purposes."

Now, the officer I read his assertion, that the article in question was "written in favor of the superiority of European immigrants," or "maintaining that whatever efforts were made should include the latter," the more I am astonished; because, if the article was written for that purpose, it proves that at least, before his views had become "more matured," he must have been a most "unprincipled and unscrupulous" demagogue. Listen to what this lover of the Hawaiian people, whose blood boils with indignation at the very intimation that he is disloyal to his Sovereign, says in this same article, previous to his remarks on European immigration, and tell us if it looks like an argument or a preface to an argument in favor of such a measure:

"We cannot consider the question but as one not a little embarrassing to the government, as the matter of race goes for a great deal in the ultimate solution of this problem; for, should an alien people be introduced into these islands to any great extent, the time may come when the people of Kamehameha, may be left truly 'alone,' without one sympathizing subject; while, on the other hand, the persevering energy and force of character of our race seem to unite (strike, perhaps) with paralysis the little vigor left in this decaying people. In deference to the Royal family, and the best interests of our Kingdom, we suppose the immigration question will be treated of in this fashion:—Will infusion of other Polynesian blood into this people, (from whatever parts of Oceania) work out the ends proposed by this Act?"

Would any one believe that any man would be willing to stultify himself with the assertion that he was seeking by his argument to favor the introduction of a race, which of all others even his "unmatured" understanding must have felt would have accelerated the approach of that time, when the "Kamehameha dynasty may be left alone, without one sympathizing subject," or would it be believed that he would have the cool effrontery, now to avow that he was advocating a measure, which would "unite (strike perhaps) with paralysis, the little vigor left in this decaying people?" No Mr. Editor, do not let us, for a moment, believe that your friend is as bad as he would have us believe. In fact, we have proof to the contrary; for on the 23d of December of the same year, he tells us distinctly, that if we are to have imported laborers, they should be Polynesians, because of their great similarity in appearance and habits to the Hawaiian. Mind you, I do not pretend to say, that such is his present opinion, for nothing is more likely than that his opinions in a state of "maturity" should differ from those of his chaotic immaturity. But let us return to your friend's article, of the 25th of February, 1899, and see if possible, who is guilty of having "garbled" it. In fact, I think in this system as that which the language "forced Coolie servitude" conveys the idea of, to an American or English mind, an idea of cruelty and abuse, and semi-slavery, such as existed when the business of supplying laborers from India and China was in the hands of private parties, and in view of which the British Government felt itself constrained, in the interests of humanity, to interfere, and appoint agents in India and China, and in its own Colonies, to see, as far as possible, that no laborer should enter into a contract for foreign service without a full understanding of what he was expected to do, and also of his own free and voluntary choice, and to see that his employer fulfilled his part of the stipulation in the spirit of justice and right. It does not seem possible for him not to know that there is not one

impression was produced by them upon all classes of the community, and that they have been the sweepings of Chinese prisons, outlawed felons, and racially thieves, their presence was a real injury, while the few exceptions, who had been educated, and who had been employed in the service of the Government, were hardly compensated for the damage done by the large majority. We imagine that this all arose from bad management. A more powerful, law-abiding, and industrious people than the Chinese does not exist; and it happens too, that there is a large class of peasantry in the sea-board provinces, who have been ruined, and brought to the very brink of starvation, through the singularly revolution which has been raging in that country for the last sixteen years. Pillaged by both Imperialists and Rebels, they would gladly emigrate, under conditions, which the natives of these islands would spurn with contempt.

We should not, however, place too much weight upon his remarks in regard to the "1850 coolies," because the epithets he heaps upon them are "mild" in comparison with what he is accustomed to use towards our most respected citizens. Nor should we wonder that he was base enough, at that time, to suggest that that industrious and much to be admired people, could be procured upon terms which a native of these islands would "spurn with contempt," because you know his opinions on the labor question were not at that time "matured," and he had not then been elevated to the dignity of a "philanthropist and a Christian;" but was "in the gall of bitterness, and bond of iniquity." After carefully reading the article in question, I have come to the conclusion that it is not an argument in favor of any one thing in particular, but rather a hopeless "sloshing round" of an exceedingly "unmatured" mind, after something to say on a very important subject, which it was and is perfectly incapable of comprehending. That the "instincts" of the writer were evidently in favor of Chinese immigration, is to be presumed from what he says in this article, as well as from the satisfaction he expressed upon the arrival of the first "lot of Government coolies." Witness his remarks upon the immigrants who arrived in the *Albatross*; they are really cordial, and do not at all agree with a subsequent statement of the same authority, to the effect that these "coolies" were the most miserable, squalid and sickly set of vagabonds who ever came into the country.

ARRIVAL OF COOLIES.—The Chinese bark *Albatross* arrived on Saturday last with the first lot of coolies selected by the agent of the Board of Immigration, Dr. W. H. Hillebrand. This lot numbered 250, of which 40 are women. They were landed on Tuesday last and quartered in the premises formerly occupied by A. Harris & Co., on the Esplanade, near the Customhouse. The coolies are for five years, at a monthly pay of four dollars, and a bonus of two dollars to be paid when they have completed their term of service. They are to be clothed themselves, but in cases of sickness they are to be cared for at their Master's expense, and wages are to be discontinued while they are sick. The coolies are to be supplied with food, and the understanding is that in case the expense is less, the Board will refund the difference. If, however, the cost should be more than the amount paid, the Board will make up the difference. On account of the scarcity of money, the Board have made very liberal terms of settlement as follows: In addition to the ten dollars already paid, the parties who may take ten or more coolies will pay forty dollars cash, the remaining thirty dollars being made payable in three months with interest at five per cent. The sum of ten dollars has already been paid for three hundred and forty, and new engagements are being made daily since the arrival of the *Albatross*. All selected from the Canton provinces, and there has been but little sickness among them, but one death having taken place. The Board are to be supplied with food, but no more coolies will pay forty dollars cash, the remaining thirty dollars being made payable in three months with interest at five per cent. The sum of ten dollars has already been paid for three hundred and forty, and new engagements are being made daily since the arrival of the *Albatross*. 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